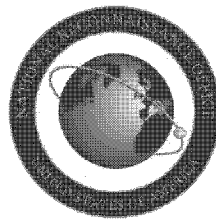


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Business Function 110, Strategic Communications  
**Directive 110-4, Arms Control Compliance and Protection  
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## **SECTION I - INTRODUCTION**

In accordance with the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) Governance Plan, this NRO Directive (ND) defines the scope, authorities, and responsibilities specific to the NRO Business Function (NBF) 110, Strategic Communications. The ND is coordinated with appropriate stakeholders, and approved by the NBF owner, with administrative approval of the Director, Office of Policy and Strategy (OP&S). OP&S will archive all official record copies.

## **SECTION II - APPLICATION**

All NRO personnel who perform tasks or have duties specific to NBF 110 will comply with this ND and its corresponding instructions. When the work performed under NRO contract must comply with this directive and corresponding instructions, the program office shall list these documents as reference documents in the contract statement of work.

## **SECTION III - REFERENCES/AUTHORITIES**

- a. The Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation, "Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms" also known as "New START." Signed 8 April 2010; entered into force on 5 February 2011.
- b. Treaty on Open Skies, 1 January 2002.
- c. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling, and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction. Signed 12 January 1993; entered into force on 29 April 1997.
- d. The NRO Governance Plan, 25 October 2011.
- e. NBF 110, Strategic Communications, 3 April 2012.

## **SECTION IV - POLICY**

- a. ND 110-4 defines the role of the NRO in the development of United States (U.S.) arms control policy and prescribes the policies the NRO must follow to comply with the international arms control agreements and treaties to which the U.S. is a signatory.

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b. All NRO activities must fully comply with all applicable international arms control agreements to which the U.S. is a party, as well as any associated U.S. Government implementing legislation and directives.

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e. All NRO contractor facilities may use this directive and the associated instructions as guidance; however, all U.S. companies must comply with Federal laws regarding arms control compliance. In addition, NRO contractors must comply with the security clauses of their contracts.

## **SECTION V - ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **OP&S/International Affairs**

a. OP&S/International Affairs (IA) will serve as the NRO point of contact with other U.S. Government agencies that deal with arms control issues, and will lead NRO participation in the development of U.S. policy and negotiating positions pertaining to arms control issues, especially those that might affect the NRO's ability to execute its mission.

b. OP&S/IA will provide arms control policy planning direction and guidance to all NRO Directorates and Offices (Ds and Os), assist in providing specific interpretations and recommendations, and provide arms control treaty expertise, as requested, to support NRO programs and activities.

c. OP&S/IA will develop and coordinate implementation guidelines for each agreement affecting the NRO, and provide Ds and Os with updates on treaty status and potential impacts as necessary. Arms control treaties relevant to the NRO include the New Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START), the Open Skies Treaty, and the Chemical Weapons Convention Treaty.

### **Directorates and Offices**

The NRO Ds and Os will ensure their operations and implementation activities comply with the provisions of Federal law, applicable arms control agreements, Department of Defense

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(DoD) directives, this directive, and other implementation instructions.

#### **NRO Office of Space Launch**

e. The NRO Office of Space Launch will maintain a NRO site compliance plan, in coordination with program manager(s), other NRO Ds and Os, and NRO Vandenberg/Cape Security to protect NRO equities during any on-site inspections. NRO Vandenberg/Cape Security will establish and maintain Security Implementation Plans to protect NRO facilities, programs, activities, or assets from potential compromise during on-site inspections and over flights.

#### **Office of General Counsel**

f. The Office of General Counsel (OGC) will monitor all arms control treaties relevant to the NRO to include the New START, the Open Skies Treaty, and the Chemical Weapons Convention Treaty. OGC will ensure that compliance and implementation activities conform to the provisions of Federal law, applicable arms control agreements, DoD directives, this directive, and other implementation instructions.

#### **SECTION VI - DIRECTIVE POINT OF CONTACT**

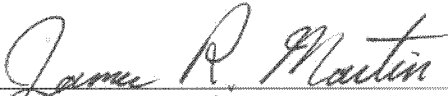
OP&S/IA is the main point of contact for any policy and/or process questions associated with Arms Control Compliance and Protection of NRO Equities or related to the implementation and operation of this Directive, and may be reached via email at "NRO-International Affairs."

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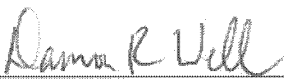
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**APPROVING SIGNATURES**

As the NBF Owner for Strategic Communications, I confirm that this document provides a complete representation of the ND 110-4, Arms Control Compliance and Protection of NRO Equities and that the document has been coordinated with NRO components that are stakeholders of the process.

  
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**APPENDIX - GLOSSARY and ACRONYM LIST**

<b>Term and Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>Agreement</b>	Any treaty or international commitment to which the U.S. is party.
<b>Treaty</b>	An international agreement, convention, or international commitment that is formally signed and authorized by the lawmaking authority of the respective party states. In the case of the U.S., a treaty is signed by the President and ratified by the Senate.
<b>Implementing Legislation</b>	Federal law that codifies the specific regulations and requirements of an international treaty.